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Chairman, Interagency CIRIS Committee
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McLean, Va.

Attention:

Dear Nate:

The problem of CIRIS usage modes has become more immediate as we have increased the CIRIS effort.

The CIRIS is a common effort on the part of the NIRB membership who make the inputs. Indeed, the CIRIS terms of reference refer to it in just that term, i.e., "a common display maintained across intelligence resource program lines."

As you know we in DASD(I) have become quite concerned with the usage of CIRIS, both in terms of CDIP and Defense usage as well as supporting Mr. Froehlke in the NIRB arena. As a result, we are undertaking an analysis of the total CIRIS system in terms of Defense usage and in support of the Defense NIRB member.

In this context, I would like you to send me the CIRIS machine reports output for CIA, State Dept., and the total CIRIS aggregation. As you know, we can hardly look at the problem of HUMINT collection resources, production resources, or imagery processing resources without an understanding of the totality being applied to these functional activities.

Since CIRIS is a common system shared by all NIRB members as stated in the NIRB terms of reference, I see no security problem involved. Additionally, all of our DASD(I) staff members have all of the CIRIS clearances and our DASD(I) work area is completely secure for all security classifications.

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Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

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Attention:

Dear Nate:

Although no decision has as yet been made by DASD(I) or NIRB on the DASD(I) CIRIS terminal and associated costs, it is essential that we have a rundown on the complete costs of the alternatives which have resulted from your recent experience with GIMS and the terminal at CIA Hqs.

In order to provide Admiral Bowen with a complete picture of the terminal problem I would also like a statement as to what security problems CIA/OS believes to exist in setting up the DASD(I) terminal.

I think you will agree that we must move forward in this area if we are to make any use of an on-line query capability in 1971.

Sincerely,

Harold E. Seidel

W. E. Seidel
Director of CIRIS

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